(3) collect data concerning the effectiveness of those procedures.

Sec. 8506.063. PUBLIC COMMENT POLICY. The board shall develop and implement policies that provide the public with a reasonable opportunity to appear before the board and to speak on any agenda item at board meetings.

SECTION 6. Subchapter C, Chapter 8506, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Section 8506.116 to read as follows:

Sec. 8506.116. COMPLAINTS. (a) The authority shall maintain a system to promptly and efficiently act on complaints filed with the authority. The authority shall maintain information about parties to the complaint, the subject matter of the complaint, a summary of the results of the review or investigation of the complaint, and its disposition.

- (b) The authority shall make information available describing its procedures for complaint investigation and resolution.
- (c) The authority shall periodically notify the complaint parties of the status of the complaint until final disposition.

SECTION 7. Section 1A, Chapter 126, General Laws, Acts of the 44th Legislature, Regular Session, 1935, is repealed.

- SECTION 8. (a) Notwithstanding Section 8506.060(a), Special District Local Laws Code, as added by this Act, a person serving on the board of directors of the Upper Colorado River Authority may vote, deliberate, and be counted as a director in attendance at a meeting of the board until December 1, 2017.
  - (b) This section expires January 1, 2018.
- SECTION 9. (a) The legal notice of the intention to introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies, officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313, Government Code.
- (b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.
- (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of representatives within the required time.
- (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled and accomplished.

SECTION 10. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on April 27, 2017: Yeas 142, Nays 2, 3 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 19, 2017: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved May 29, 2017.

Effective September 1, 2017.

## LICENSING AND REGULATION OF CERTAIN MILITARY DENTISTS AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS WHO PROVIDE VOLUNTARY CHARITY DENTAL OR DENTAL HYGIENE CARE

#### **CHAPTER 270**

H.B. No. 2007

#### AN ACT

relating to the licensing and regulation of certain military dentists and dental hygienists who provide voluntary charity dental or dental hygiene care.

# 85th LEGISLATURE—REGULAR SESSION

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 256, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Section 256.1017 to read as follows:

Sec. 256.1017. MILITARY LIMITED VOLUNTEER LICENSE. (a) The board shall adopt rules relating to the issuance of a military limited volunteer license under this section.

- (b) The board may issue a military limited volunteer license to practice dentistry to a dentist or a military limited volunteer license to practice dental hygiene to a dental hygienist who:
  - (1) is licensed and in good standing, or was licensed and retired in good standing, as a dentist or dental hygienist in another state;
  - (2) is or was authorized as a dentist or dental hygienist to treat personnel enlisted in a branch of the United States armed forces or veterans; and
    - (3) meets any other requirement prescribed by board rule.
  - (c) The board may not issue a license under this section to an applicant who:
    - (1) holds a dental or dental hygienist license that:
      - (A) is currently under active investigation; or
    - (B) is or was subject to a disciplinary order or action or to denial by another jurisdiction:
  - (2) holds a license to prescribe, dispense, administer, supply, or sell a controlled substance that:
    - (A) is currently under active investigation; or
    - (B) is or was subject to a disciplinary order or action or to denial by another jurisdiction: or
  - (3) has been convicted of, is on deferred adjudication community supervision or deferred disposition for, or is under active investigation for the commission of:
    - (A) a felony; or
    - (B) a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude.
- (d) A dentist or dental hygienist may practice dentistry or dental hygiene under a license issued under this section only at a clinic that primarily treats indigent patients. The dentist or dental hygienist may not receive compensation for dental or dental hygiene services rendered at the clinic.
- (e) A military limited volunteer license holder is subject to board rules, including rules regarding disciplinary action, license registration and renewal, and continuing education.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on April 12, 2017: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 19, 2017: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved May 29, 2017.

Effective September 1, 2017.

### SERVICE AND FILING REQUIREMENTS FOR A PARTY SEEKING JUDICIAL REVIEW IN CERTAIN WORKERS' COMPENSATION CASES

**CHAPTER 271** 

H.B. No. 2061

AN ACT